

Green Makeover – Retrofitting Sites in Urban Areas to Enrich City Environments



Speaker Biographies

Note: Speaker biographies are presented alphabetically by the speakers' last names.

LAURA BRAY

With more than 10 years experience in community and economic development, Laura Bray has served as the executive director of Menomonee Valley Partners, Inc. (MVP) since September 2004. In this role, Bray leads a public-private partners working to redevelop Milwaukee's primary industrial district in a way that balances family-supporting jobs and a strong local economy with environmental concerns. She guides the work of more than 100 professionals and community representatives who contribute time to projects including infrastructure and real estate development, recreational trails and community art, green building and habitat restoration.

Bray holds a BA, with majors in political science and public relations, and an MBA which were both received from Marquette University. She received her certification as an Economic Development Finance Professional through the National Development Council.

Prior to MVP, Bray was as a member of the senior staff at the City of Milwaukee's Department of City Development where she held responsibility for policy areas and special projects, including leading Milwaukee's Renewal Community initiative. Previously, Bray served as a loan officer at the Wisconsin Women's Business Initiative Corporation, a project manager for Consensus Organizing Institute—where she consulted community leaders in several cities in program design in their efforts to improve distressed communities, and as a project coordinator to form a new community development corporation in a Bridgeport, CT neighborhood. Bray's work in urban development began while volunteering with the Jesuit Volunteer Corps at the Bridgeport Neighborhood Fund—an affordable housing loan fund.

She has been involved in many community volunteer activities and currently serves on the Creative Council of the Young Professionals of Milwaukee and on the Health Girls Allocations Committee for the United Way of Greater Milwaukee.

PRESTON D. COLE

Preston D. Cole is currently the Environmental Services Superintendent for the City of Milwaukee Department of Public Works Operations Division. As such, Preston manages the city's Forestry operations (street trees, boulevards, streetscaping) and Sanitation operations (solid waste collection, street sweeping, recycling program, snow and ice control), and has been employed by the City of Milwaukee since October 1991. Before coming to Milwaukee, Preston was Parks Superintendent for the City of St. Louis, where he managed 60 parks, athletic fields, and city rights-of-way.

After graduation from the University of Missouri-Columbia with a BS in Forest Management, Preston was employed by the Missouri Department of Conservation. Preston was the first African-American forester hired by the department. He had responsibility for private land management, state forest, and urban forestry management requests.

Preston is a member of many civic and community-based organizations. He is often called upon to educate these organizations on natural resource management, solid waste, recycling, and the urban ecosystem management.

Preston is the past Chair of the Board of Trustees for the National Arbor Day Foundation, which has a membership of well over one million individuals and organizations. Preston has served as a Director for the Wisconsin Center District, which oversees the management of the Midwest Express Center, the Cellular One Arena, and the Auditorium.

Additionally, Preston currently serves as the Operations Committee Chair for the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District, where he provides financial and policy direction for Wisconsin's largest sewer treatment facility.

In 2005, Preston was appointed by Mayor Tom Barrett as a member of the Mayor's "Green Team". This committee advises the Mayor on storm water reduction practices, energy conservation, waste reduction initiatives, and the creation of green jobs in the city of Milwaukee.

IGNACIO DAYRIT

Mr. Dayrit has been with the City of Emeryville Redevelopment Agency for 17 years, and has 22 years of public sector project management experience. His work involves the balancing of both economic and environmental issues. He has worked on a variety of projects, including transit centers and transportation programs, parks, life sciences centers, public facilities, public-private developments and parking programs. As Program Director for Emeryville's brownfields program, he works with community stakeholders, regulatory agencies and consultants, on project components that include geographic information systems, regulatory processes, community involvement, sustainable development, financing and insurance. Mr. Dayrit provides brownfields advice to the Center for Creative Land Recycling (CCLR, formerly the California Center for Land Recycling) and Greenbelt Alliance, and sits on the California Redevelopment Association's Brownfields Committee. Mr. Dayrit holds a Master in City Planning degree from the University of California-Berkeley, and a B.S. in Architecture from the University of the Philippines.

CHRISTOPHER DE SOUSA

Christopher De Sousa is an Assistant Professor of Geography at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. He is also a member of the Urban Studies faculty and the Co-Director of the Brownfields Research Consortium. His research activities focus on various aspects of brownfields redevelopment in the United States and Canada. Dr. De Sousa is also actively involved in community work involving sustainability issues, having recently carried out research for a "State of the City" report for Milwaukee with UW-Milwaukee's Center for Economic Development and currently working on a benchmarking study of Milwaukee's Menomonee Valley for UW-Milwaukee's Center for Urban Initiatives and Research. His recent publications include articles in *Professional Geographer*, *Landscape and Urban Planning*, and the *Journal of Environmental Planning and Management*.

MEGAN DOBRATZ

Megan Dobratz has been a Project Manager of the Resources for Redevelopment (R4R) program at the Minnesota Environmental Initiative (MEI) since March of 2003. MEI is a Minneapolis based nonprofit that builds innovative partnerships to develop solutions to Minnesota's environmental problems. Since joining MEI, she has managed brownfield redevelopment projects resulting in affordable housing, nonprofit facilities and green space and is now advancing the transition of R4R into a broader, sustainable development program. Megan is a member of the Urban Land Institute and active in the Mississippi Headwater's Chapter of the U.S. Green Building Council's Emerging Green Builders group.

Prior to joining MEI, Megan studied sustainable development in the Pacific Northwest and received her Bachelor's degree in Environmental Studies from Gustavus Adolphus College.

TODD FAGEN

Todd Fagen is the founding partner of Land Strategies, Inc., a Chicago, Illinois firm focused on traffic engineering and urban planning issues. Mr. Fagen has a Bachelor of Science degree in Urban Planning from the California State Polytechnic University in Pomona and a Master of Science degree in Engineering from the University of California-Irvine. Mr. Fagen's 17 years of experience has primarily been focused on land use development and its impacts on traffic generation, operations and safety. He has performed this type of study in the context of site development traffic impact analysis, large area transportation planning, roadway operation and design, intersection signalization and stop sign warrants, neighborhood traffic calming, at-grade railroad crossings and expert testimony related to these issues. Mr. Fagen is currently the President for the Executive Board of the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE), Illinois Section.

NANCY FRANK

Nancy Frank is Associate Professor and Chair of the Department of Urban Planning at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. She holds a M.S. and Ph.D. in criminal justice from State University of New York at Albany. She has received certification in planning from the American Institute of Certified Planners. Her research interests involve land use policies that preserve open space and reduce the development impacts on the environment. She has substantial policy experience in brownfield cleanup and redevelopment. She is a member of the Wisconsin Brownfields Study Group and a member of the board of the Wisconsin Chapter of the National Brownfields Association. Her extensive community work includes: President of the Urban Open Space Foundation, member of the Community Open Space Partnership Steering Team, and member of the Stewardship Plan for Lincoln Creek Planning Team. Her teaching assignments include public participation and inclusive planning.

DOUGLAS FARR

Douglas Farr was identified by *Architectural Record* magazine as one of five "Second Generation" New Urbanists. Farr is Founding Principal and President of Farr Associates Architecture and Urban Design, established in 1990. He has received recognition in Farr Associates' three areas of practice: sustainable architecture, urban design and planning, and historic preservation.

Farr is leading the design community in meeting the highest building performance standards set by the U.S. Green Building Council, receiving recognition on a national level for

making the connection between well-designed urbanism and environmentally conscious architecture. Farr is working to initiate a new rating system and policy, Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Neighborhood Development, (LEED-ND) in coordination with the U.S. Green Building Council, the Congress for the New Urbanism, and the National Resource Defense Council. This is a targeted effort to create a LEED rating system for developments that incorporate green and sustainable elements in their site selection.

Farr implements the green urbanism agenda in national, regional, and local forums, advocating the inherent ecological value of well designed urban environments and its direct impact on our future quality of life. Committed to energy efficient and environmentally conscious design at both urban and architectural scales, Farr forged a relationship with the City of Chicago to link his firm's practices to Mayor Richard Daley's campaign to make Chicago the "greenest city in America." Working with the City of Chicago's Department of Environment, Farr Associates served as the lead architect on the Chicago Center for Green Technology, one of the most comfortable, energy efficient, and environmentally responsible buildings in the country. In recognition of this achievement, the building has received a LEED Platinum rating, the U.S. Green Building Council's highest honor. On Earth Day, 2003, it was awarded an American Institute of Architecture "Top Ten Green" award.

Farr is a graduate of the University of Michigan and Columbia. He honed his craft in the employ of a number of well-known architectural firms including: The Office of John Vinci; Paul Rodolph; David, Brody & Associates; and Perkins and Will. He currently serves as Chair of the Environmental Task Force of the Congress for New Urbanism and is past Chair of AIA Chicago Committee on the Environment.

JAMES R. GEIGER

Jim is the Director of Communications for the Center for Urban Forest Research in Davis, CA—a USDA Forest Service, Pacific Southwest Research Station. He has administered the Center's outreach, education, training, and public relations work since August 2000. Prior to joining the Center, Jim spent 22 years with the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection. From 1978 to 1993 he was the Urban Forestry Program Manager and from 1993 to 2000 he was the Landowner Assistance Program Manager. Jim came to California from the City of Chicago where he spent three years as a city forester. Jim received his undergraduate degree in Forest Management from the University of Wisconsin—Stevens Point and his Masters degree in Organization Development from the University of San Francisco.

TONY GIBSON

Tony Gibson is a 4-year resident of the Johnsons Park community and is the founder and Chairman of the Johnsons Park Neighborhood Association (JPNA). He is also co-chair of the JPNA Friends of Johnsons Park and Chairman of the Lindsay Heights Tax Incremental District (TID) Steering Committee. He serves on the boards of Business Improvement District 32 (BID 32) and Urban Open Space Foundation. He continually works to create partnerships that will focus on the needs of the park and surrounding community and encourages expanded use of and programming for the park.

PAUL GOBSTER

Paul Gobster is a Research Social Scientist with the USDA Forest Service's North Central Research Station in Chicago. Paul completed his undergraduate degree in regional planning and leisure studies at the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay, then went on to graduate work in landscape architecture and environmental studies at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. His current research activities focus on people's perceptions of natural areas restoration and management, active living and the environment, and access and equity issues in urban parks. A native Milwaukeean, Paul frequently sneaks across the Cheddar Curtain from Illinois to enjoy the lakes and forests of Wisconsin and is always in search of a good Friday night perch fry.

PAUL KNIGHT

Paul Knight is the principal of Domus PLUS, a residential energy efficiency consulting firm located in Oak Park, IL. Mr. Knight has worked extensively in the low-income weatherization and affordable housing fields during his 28 years since graduating with a Masters Degree in Architecture from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

He serves as the energy efficient building consultant to the Illinois Energy Efficient Affordable Housing Construction Program. This program provides grants to nonprofit developers to incorporate energy efficient building measures in affordable housing projects. He also provided training and technical assistance to the Illinois Low Income Weatherization Assistance Program for the past 25 years.

Paul is working with the Building Research Council at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign conducting mold and moisture investigation for Native American housing programs around the country.

Mr. Knight also served as the energy consultant for the Chicago Green Bungalow Initiative.

SANDRA KOK

As Senior Program Engineer with the Government of Canada's Great Lakes Sustainability Fund, Sandra has been managing the municipal wastewater program of the Fund for the past 11 years. This program funds the development and demonstration of innovative projects to encourage municipalities in the Canadian Great Lakes to implement remedial action plan (RAP) recommendations related to sewage treatment, combined sewer overflows, and storm water management. The fund also supports RAP recommendations to address pollution reduction from rural non-point sources, fish and wildlife habitat rehabilitation, and contaminated sediment removal and treatment. Sandra works for Environment Canada and received her Master's Degree in Environmental Engineering from the University of Alberta in 1987.

CAROLEE KOKOLA

Carolee Kokola is an urban designer and planner with Farr Associates Architecture and Urban Design, a Chicago firm whose mission is to design sustainable human environments. She is interested in promoting urban infill, transit-oriented development, and historic preservation as techniques to revitalize urban areas and promote viable alternatives to sprawl. She has experience in planning, urban design, preservation, and real estate development in the private and nonprofit sectors.

MICHAEL KRAUSE

Michael Krause recently formed Kandiyohi Development Partners after more than nine years as executive director of the Green Institute in Minneapolis. Under his leadership, the Green Institute became the largest organization in Minnesota devoted to sustainable community development with programs such as the ReUse Center, Phillips Eco-Enterprise Center, a biomass combined heat and power energy facility, and green space, solar energy and storm water projects. Krause has also served in policy positions with the Minnesota State Senate and Hennepin County. He currently serves as vice chair of the Minneapolis Planning Commission, vice chair of the Minnesota Environmental Initiative, and as co-chair of the Eco-Industrial Development Council. He has a bachelors degree from Macalester College in St. Paul and a law degree from the University of Minnesota.

SUZANNE E. MALEC

Suzanne E. Malec is Deputy Commissioner of Natural Resources and Water Quality for the City of Chicago Department of Environment. In her position, she is responsible for the Greencorps Chicago program, a job training and community landscaping program, and Mayor Daley's Landscape Awards program. She manages operations and programming for the Chicago Center for Green Technology, the first platinum LEED building rehabilitation in the nation. Suzanne oversees efforts to rehabilitate the ecological parcels of the Calumet region, including coordination of the Calumet Government Working Group, communications for the Calumet Stewardship Initiative, and the development of the Ecotoxicology Protocol, Hydrologic Master Plan, and the Ecological Management Strategy. Suzanne is responsible for the Water Quality Unit, which is working to engage Chicagoans - residents, community organizations, businesses, government agencies, and industry - in carrying out best management practices which conserve water, manage storm water and manage or eliminate pollution. Suzanne is also involved in numerous natural resources policy and programming initiatives including Chicago Wilderness, habitat preservation and enhancement, and nature/urban interface issues such as bird strikes on buildings during migration.

Suzanne holds a B.S. in Ornamental Horticulture from the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, an M.S. in Managerial Communication from Northwestern University, and is a Ph.D. candidate in Communication Studies at Northwestern University.

HEATHER MANN

As Founder and Executive Director of the Urban Open Space Foundation, Heather Mann has worked for nearly a decade with Wisconsin's communities to create and revitalize public places, helping them achieve their full natural, cultural, and economic potential through quality open space networks. Formerly, Mann consulted with the Trust for Public Land, spearheading the Wisconsin component of the national Green Cities Initiative. Ms. Mann has served on the state's Stewardship Advisory Council and the Brownfield Green Space Grant Advisory Committee. Today, Mann chairs the Public Outreach Committee of the Wisconsin Urban Forestry Council and the Human Rights Committee of Madison's First Unitarian Society.

RICHARD "ROCKY" MARCOUX

Richard "Rocky" Marcoux was appointed Commissioner of the Milwaukee Department of City Development by Mayor Tom Barrett in September 2004. Since 1986, Marcoux had been a senior staff member of the Housing Authority of the City of Milwaukee. Under his direction the Housing Authority and its agency partners completed over \$250 million of construction since 1992, much of that with the aid of HOPE VI federal funding. He is responsible for turning "superblocks" of public housing into "superneighborhoods". His housing developments incorporate accessibility and sustainable development practices. In fact, he has gotten much attention and accolades for putting a green roof on Highland Gardens housing development—now the largest residential application in the Midwest. Marcoux is putting these principles and his 'can-do' attitude to work for the entire city, to lift up all Milwaukee neighborhoods.

Marcoux is a graduate of Marquette University. The Commissioner is a member of the Congress for the New Urbanism (CNU), the American Planning Association (APA), the Urban Land Institute (ULI), and the National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials (NAHRO). Marcoux, his wife and three children, live in Milwaukee's Washington Heights neighborhood.

AUDREY MAYER

Currently an ecologist for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Audrey Mayer received her Ph.D. in Ecology from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville in 2000. Her research has focused on effective policies for biodiversity protection, the impact of land use change on bird communities, the application of catastrophe theory to environmental management, and the development of quantitative sustainability indices. With a multidisciplinary team at the U.S. EPA, Audrey is also conducting a pilot study on BMP retrofits in a residential watershed in Cincinnati, Ohio.

STEPHEN MCCARTHY

Over his 28-year career in both the public and private sectors, Mr. McCarthy's award winning projects include parks, residences, and corporate landscapes. For the past 5 years he has worked with the Planning and Watercourse Division of the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District where his responsibilities include project management of MMSD's land acquisition and open space initiative. He is also a principal in the landscape architectural firm, McCarthy Associates. Mr. McCarthy graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Madison's Department of Landscape Architecture in 1977. He is a registered landscape architect in Illinois and Wisconsin.

JOAN IVERSON NASSAUER

Joan Iverson Nassauer, FASLA, is Professor of Landscape Architecture in the School of Natural Resources and Environment at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Graduate students in her course, Landscape Ecological Implications of Brownfield Redevelopment, have participated throughout this conference. In 1998, she was named Distinguished Practitioner of Landscape Ecology by the International Association of Landscape Ecology-U.S. She has worked with colleagues in ecology, civil engineering, forestry, and hydrology to develop and implement ecosystem management plans for urban watersheds, and to retrofit 19th Century cities and 20th Century suburbs for storm water management. Her focus in this work is public acceptance and cultural sustainability of landscape change to improve

metropolitan ecological health. The EPA, NSF, USDA Forest Service, USDA NRCS, the USDI BLM, and the McKnight Foundation, as well as local and state governments have sponsored her work. She serves on the editorial boards of *Landscape Ecology* and the Cambridge University Press' *Series in Landscape Ecology*. Her book *Placing Nature: Culture and Landscape Ecology* (1997) is available from Island Press.

EDWARD NELSON

Ed Nelson is a Research Sociologist with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. He received his M.S. in Rural Sociology and Ph.D. in Sociology from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Ed began his employment with the DNR's Bureau of Research in 1984, becoming one of the first sociologists nationally to work for a natural resources management agency. Since then, Ed has conducted and overseen research studies looking at issues as diverse as customer satisfaction with DNR's licensing and sales, gasoline consumption by recreational vehicle users, public implementation of the Clean Air Act, the status of recycling in Wisconsin, and the future demographics of the hunting and fishing community. He previously has served on the review panel for U.S. EPA S.T.A.R. (Science to Achieve Results) grant applications. Ed provides expert consultation to agency programs on survey design and administration, ethnographic research, and personal and focus group interviewing. He has published and presented on the human dimensions aspects of a variety of natural resource and environmental issues.

MARK OLINGER

Mark A. Olinger is Director of the Department of Planning and Development and Executive Director of the Community Development Authority (CDA) for the City of Madison. As Director, Mr. Olinger oversees a Department consisting of approximately 200 employees in seven units (Office of Business Resources, CDBG, Office of Community Services, Community and Economic Development, Planning, Inspection, Housing Operations, and Senior Center), with an operating budget of approximately \$13 million and a capital budget of over \$18 million.

As Executive Director of the CDA, Mr. Olinger oversees a combined housing authority and community redevelopment authority responsible for a wide range of activities including management of the city's public housing and Section 8 voucher programs, property acquisition/development and redevelopment activities, including the purchase of the Villager Mall in 2004.

Since becoming Director in June 1999, Mr. Olinger and the Department have been actively involved in the following:

- Development of the City's Comprehensive Plan to comply with Wisconsin's new Smart Growth Law
- The State Street Strategic Plan, and Phase 1 Improvements to the Street
- Overture Center
- Supporting the development of over 500 new units of housing in the downtown
- Spearheaded initiative to improve housing opportunities for moderate-income owners and low-income renters through TIF set-asides, use of \$4.1 million of Fannie Mae funds, and pursuit of additional Section 8 Vouchers
- Staffed the Transport 2020 Process to examine the potential for commuter rail service for the Madison area, and presently staffing

Prior to being named Director, Mr. Olinger was a Principal Planner of the Physical and Special Projects Planning Section of the Department of Planning and Development, overseeing the Landmarks, Neighborhood Planning, Public Art, and Urban Design functions for the City of Madison.

Before coming to Madison, Mr. Olinger was with the City of Dayton, Ohio; serving in a number of capacities with the Departments of Community Development, Planning, the Office of Housing Development and City Wide Development Corporation from April 1982 until April 1997. In the 14+ years he was involved in government in Dayton, he is most proud of his involvement in the development of one of the few urban national parks, the Dayton Aviation Heritage National Historical Park celebrating the work of the Wright Brothers and noted African-American Author Paul Laurence Dunbar, a project that spurred the renaissance of a once riot-scarred neighborhood to a showcase of revitalization and rebirth—a winner of a HUD Secretary Award at the 2004 American Planning Association National Conference.

Mr. Olinger has a Bachelor's Degree from New York University and a Master's Degree in Community Planning from the University of Cincinnati.

JAMES PATCHETT

James Patchett, ASLA, LEED AP, is founder and President of Conservation Design Forum, Inc. a multi-disciplinary consulting firm located in Elmhurst, IL. CDF is dedicated to the principles of sustainable land planning, design, development, and long-term systems management. In over twenty five years of practice, he has worked for a public conservation agency, and for both large and small private sector design and environmental consulting firms. Jim combines his training as a landscape architect and hydrologist in the development of natural resource-based site planning and design techniques that involve the integration of innovative water resource management and ecological restoration strategies into built environments. Jim has directed the development of ecological strategies for many noted sustainable design initiatives such as: Sears Prairie Stone in Hoffman Estates, IL, Tellabs Research and Development Campus in Bolingbrook, IL, Tellabs Corporate Headquarters Complex in Naperville, IL, Coffee Creek Center in Chesterton, IN, Chicago City Hall Green Roof Project, and the University Research Park in Madison, WI.

In addition to his duties at Conservation Design Forum, Jim is co-founder and President of the Board of Conservation Research Institute, a non-profit organization dedicated to furthering applied research and educational opportunities in sustainable planning, design, installation, restoration, and long-term management within both built and natural environments. Jim is the past Chair of the American Society of Landscape Architect's Water Conservation Professional Interest Group, and is a Collaborative Faculty member in Iowa State University's Department of Landscape Architecture. As part of CDF's commitment to education and outreach, Jim routinely lectures throughout the country, where he is a noted speaker on behalf of the environmental and economic benefits of sustainable design and development.

SALLY PELTZ

Sally Peltz is the Principal and Officer of Legacy Bancorp, Inc.. Legacy Bancorp is a bank holding company, founded in 1999, with 51 percent minority and women shareholder representation. For the past six years, Sally Peltz has worked as President of the Legacy Redevelopment Corporation, which is a community development financial institution. Ms. Peltz also sits on the Board of Directors for Legacy Bank, which is the community partner of the

Legacy Redevelopment Corporation. The Legacy Redevelopment Corporation has been a tremendous asset to Milwaukee. Through its loan fund, the Corporation provides below market rate loans to private business and not-for-profit organizations in the city. Ms. Peltz has also created the Legacy Midwest Renewal Corporation, which serves as the real estate arm for Legacy Bancorp.

Currently, the Legacy Redevelopment Corporation is redeveloping an area with 70 single family homes. They have hired the Urban Open Space Foundation to develop a green plan for the area. Ms. Peltz has served on many boards and advisory committees. She is currently an appointee to Governor Jim Doyle's Council on Workforce Investment, and she co-chaired the private sector of Mayor Barrett's Green Team taskforce. While Ms. Peltz serves on the Legacy Bank and Legacy Bancorp Boards, her day-to-day activities focus on growing the Legacy Redevelopment Corporation.

KEVIN POMEROY, AICP

Kevin is responsible for working with elected officials, planning commissioners, and citizens throughout the state of Wisconsin to help promote the state's Comprehensive Planning Law. Kevin has experience in community development, architecture, and urban planning. He has worked in the public sector as the Design Coordinator of the Wisconsin Main Street Program, in the private sector with planning and architectural consulting firms, owned a company specializing in downtown development, and currently teaches at the University of Wisconsin-Madison's Department of Urban and Regional Planning, where he is also working on a Ph.D.

BRIAN REILLY

Brian Reilly manages the City Milwaukee's 1,200-acre Menomonee River Valley redevelopment, an attempt to create high quality development that produces jobs with family-supporting wages, near where people live, and in ways that strengthen and grow efficient and strong companies. Before city government, Brian created the Johnson Foundation's program on Sustainable Development at its Wingspread conference center in Racine, Wisconsin. There, he was also instrumental in the creation of Sustainable Racine and the cross-fertilization of national and international sustainability work efforts with that local improvement process. He is also senior fellow with the national Environmental Leadership Program.

FRED ROZUMALSKI

Fred Rozumalski, RLA, a registered landscape architect, is experienced in the areas of landscape architecture, ecology, horticulture, and native landscape design and restoration. His projects are designed to work with nature to create economically viable, low-maintenance landscapes that support a diversity of plants and animals, and most importantly, are designed to meet the needs of the people who inhabit them. In addition to lecturing on ecologically sound landscape design, Fred has completed numerous wetland, woodland, and lakeshore restoration projects. His most recent accomplishments include co-authoring a Minnesota DNR-sponsored book, *Lakescaping for Wildlife and Water Quality*, and winning a National Design Award from the American Society of Landscape Architects Professional Awards for the innovative design of a sedge meadow restoration and interpretive boardwalk at the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum. Fred also led the team at Barr Engineering that wrote the *Minnesota Urban Small Sites Best Management Practices Manual* for storm water management in cold climates.

DEBRA SHORE

Debra Shore has served as editor of *Chicago WILDERNESS* magazine since its debut eight years ago. *Chicago WILDERNESS* is the first-ever magazine dedicated to providing news and information about the native animals, plants, and ecosystems of the Chicago region -- and about the remarkable people who cherish and protect them.

Through inspiring stories and beautiful photography, the magazine gives its readers a glimpse into the wild nature that thrives in 260,000 acres of protected lands in northeast Illinois, southeast Wisconsin, and northwest Indiana.

Her editorials in *Chicago WILDERNESS* Magazine won a Peter Lisagor Award for Exemplary Journalism from the Chicago Headline Club in 2003. *Chicago WILDERNESS* was also named Best Consumer Periodical by Chicago Women in Publishing in 2002.

Shore is an active volunteer in the efforts to restore habitat in the Cook County forest preserves and serves on the Community Advisory Council on Land Management in Cook County. She participates in the Inter-religious Sustainability Project and serves on the board of Friends of the Forest Preserves in Cook County, the Illinois Environmental Council, the Democratic Party of Evanston, and IVI-IPO. She is also a member of the Women's Board at the University of Chicago and the Council for U.S. Landcare Initiatives.

PEG STAEHELI

Peg Staeheli is a founding principal of SvR Design Company, a Seattle design firm engaged in the practices of landscape architecture, civil engineering, and environmental restoration. For the past 27 years, Peg's work has combined the disciplines of landscape architecture and civil engineering. She takes a systems approach to design, integrating aesthetics, function, and ecological benefit into urban environments. Peg has worked to bring natural drainage systems design into day-to-day project work. Natural drainage systems use the combination of plants, trees, and amended soils for treatment and flow control of storm water. Peg led the design for Seattle's High Point Natural Drainage project, integrating natural drainage throughout the 120-acre urban housing development.

HALE W. THURSTON

Hale W. Thurston leads the Environmental Economics Team in the National Risk Management Research Laboratory's Sustainable Environments Branch. Dr. Thurston received his Ph.D. in Economics from the University of New Mexico. His research areas include investigating the use of market mechanisms for pollution prevention and the use of non-market valuation techniques to evaluate watershed restoration activities.

DREUX J. WATERMOLEN

Dreux Watermolen is the Chief of Science Information Services for the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. He received a B.A. degree from St. Norbert College and pursued graduate studies at the University of Wisconsin at Green Bay. Over the past nineteen years he has worked in the DNR's state parks and recreation, fisheries management, water resources, and environmental analysis and review programs. Dreux began working in the Bureau of Integrated Science Services as the DNR's land use expert in 1994, and led the agency's Land Use Team from 1995-2000. He has been actively involved in local and state land use activities and has represented the DNR on numerous interagency, state, and federal committees and work groups. He currently serves as the DNR Secretary's designee on the Wisconsin Land Council

and has been a board member for the nonprofit Friends of Pheasant Branch Conservancy and an advisor to the Urban Open Space Foundation. Dreux has published and presented on a variety of land use issues and the consideration of natural resources in land use planning. He currently oversees Wisconsin DNR's land use policy staff.

WILLIAM E. WENK, FASLA

Bill Wenk is founder and President of Wenk Associates, Inc., a Denver-based landscape architectural firm founded 23 years ago on the belief that created landscapes should be simultaneously functional, humane, beautiful, and address a broad range of environmental issues. Through collaboration with engineering, architectural, and related design disciplines, the firm's work integrates civic space with functional aspects of the city, creating urban landscapes that reinvent the city's infrastructure and that make overlooked spaces valuable as amenities. The firm's work has been published frequently in *Landscape Architecture* magazine and national and international professional journals.

He has lectured frequently on the integration of infrastructure and rivers and streams into the urban fabric. Mr. Wenk is regarded as an innovator in the field of employing storm water as a resource on a number of scales in a variety of landscapes.

Bill received a B.S.L.A. and the M.L.A. from Michigan State University and the University of Oregon, respectively. He is an Adjunct Associate Professor of Landscape Architecture at University of Colorado in Denver and a Fellow of the American Society of Landscape Architects.

He is currently providing oversight for a master plan and design for various site improvements including scenarios for residential lots and landscape restoration at Sundance in Utah; and serving as principal designer for \$14 million of renovations to the plazas and streetscapes of the Vail Village. He is also the principal urban designer for the Menomonee River Valley Redevelopment in Milwaukee, responsible for integrating a network of parks and open spaces, regional and local trails, and a restored river corridor into a proposed 130 acre mixed-use and light industrial development; and developed the master plan for parks lands on the 1900-acre Lowry Air Force Base Redevelopment in Denver, including a sports complex, an amphitheater, a great lawn, formal gardens, large wetland/natural areas, and biking and hiking trails.